



# Books on Tape Update

Idaho Commission for Libraries

Talking Book Service

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## Library Highlight: Homedale Public Library

*Note: This column discusses library services available for the print impaired in different public libraries. The intent is to inform TBS users of the various resources available outside of the Talking Book Service. Many times these services can be delivered directly to the user eliminating the need to travel to the library.*

Homedale Public Library staff is eager to provide TBS users in its community with formats that supplement those available from the Talking Book Service.

### Large Print books:

The library has an ample selection of current Large Print books. Since 1998, the library has received \$3500 in grants from the Idaho Community Foundation and the Caldwell Community Foundation for the purchase of large print books. Recently, the Eagles Auxiliary of Caldwell surprised librarian Margaret Fujishin with a gift of \$500 to be used for purchasing large print books. Large print titles removed from the shelves are given to Midvale District Library where another group of users can enjoy them. Large print books can be

mailed to and from TBS users Free Matter for the Blind.

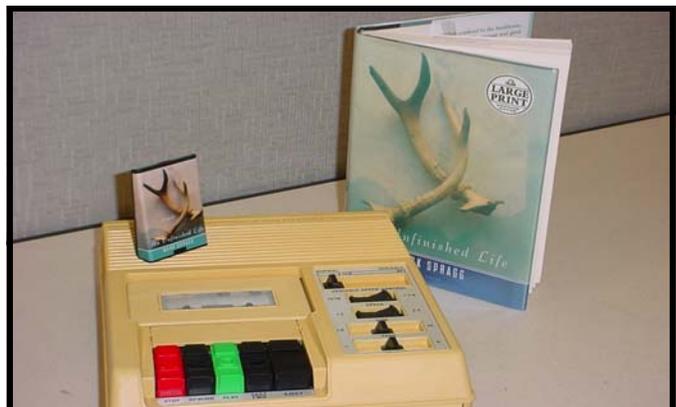
### Audio books on Cassettes and CDs:

Grants totaling \$750 from U.S. Ecology Corporation and the Caldwell Community Foundation, as well as donated funds, have allowed the library to expand its collection of unabridged audio books in cassette and CD-Rom format. The collection includes titles not currently available in the TBS collection. Cassette books can be played on most TBS users' players.

### Playaway Audio books:

An exciting new form of audio book is now available. Playaways, (See photo below)

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Playaway Audio Book  
Talking Book Cassette Player  
Large Print Book

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digital audio books embedded in their own player, allow users to listen to recorded books on a player much smaller than the current TBS one. The photo illustrates the difference in size between the TBS player and Playaways.

Experience the convenience and quality of digital books!

### The Future:

As time and money permit, staff wants to improve physical access to the building and begin to offer home delivery. Contact the library at 337-4228 for more information on using your local library.

Library hours are: 1-5 pm, Monday-Friday, and 1-4 pm on Saturday.

## Up-dated Diabetic Catalog Now Available

OUR NEWEST diabetic catalog offers the description, title, author, and book number. Titles range from general information, cookbooks, biographies and autobiographies to fictional books with diabetic characters, books for younger readers, and Spanish language books.

Doctors urge patients to take charge of their disease by developing a lifestyle plan.

You may order this catalog by checking the box on the enclosed order form or call Idaho's Talking Book Service. In the Boise area, call 334-2150, outside Boise area please call 800-458-3271.



## Volunteer Spotlight: Katie Cleereman

by Sheila Winther, Volunteer Coordinator

Katie started volunteering with the Talking Book Service last November and has become an essential part of our recording studio team. She has learned the use of our book recording software and does an amazing job of editing, both as a reviewer and monitor. As reviewer, Katie listens to or “proofreads” books in the process of being recorded. She edits out any noise between words and marks mistakes that need to go back to the recording studio to be fixed. As monitor, Katie works directly with a narrator and “monitors” the live recording session. She acts as director and sound engineer, giving the narrator instructions and operating the recording software to ensure level volume and accurate recording.

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## Volunteer Spotlight: Katie Cleereman

Katie moved to Boise in October and found our volunteer opportunity listed on the Internet. When she was growing up, her best friend's grandmother was blind, and she spent a lot of time at her house. The grandmother always had her books on tape playing, and Katie saw how important the books were to this wonderful woman. So when she found time in her life to volunteer, the choice was easy. "I really love to help record the books", Katie says. "It is a great way to find out about my new state. I am reading books that I wouldn't normally read and it is nice to be exposed to things outside my normal reading patterns. Idaho is a great place to live, there is always somewhere fun to go outdoors, and I have met lots of nice people"

Katie also volunteers as a radio reader at the Commission for the Blind and she works part time as a florist making beautiful arrangements at "Boise at its Best" floral shop. Thanks Katie, for taking time from your busy day to help us keep the books flowing.

## Magazine Corner

The Talking Book Service has magazines on tape: Direct (D) magazines come in a container with no return label; these you may keep. Circulating (C) magazines come in a container with a turn around post card; these should be read first and returned within two weeks so other patrons may receive them. You will receive the next issue when available.

Titles featured this quarter are on the topic of **For Young People**

### **Cricket/National Geographic World (D) Monthly**

Stories, poems, and articles by internationally known authors; songs, jokes, and crafts.

For ages 6-12.

### **Humpty Dumpty (D) Bimonthly**

Health, nutrition, safety plus stories, poetry and humor. For ages 4-7.

### **Odyssey (D) Monthly**

The Science Magazine for Young Adventurers. For ages 10-16.

### **Spider (D) Monthly**

Stories, poems, jokes, and crafts for beginning readers. For ages 6-9.

### **Sports Illustrated for Kids (D) Monthly**

Sports, news and articles. For ages 8-13.

### **Young Adult Magazine of the Month (D) Monthly**

Different sample magazine sent each month.

Check the box on the order form if you are interested in any of these magazines. Call us at 1-800-458-3271 to receive a complete listing of all magazines on tape.

## New Talking Books

From

Idaho Commission for Libraries Recording Studio

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**VCT 1032****Valley County, Idaho: Prehistory to 1920**

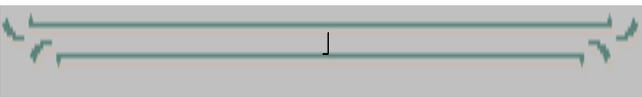
Author: Shelton Woods

Read by: Larry Weeks

Too many times history is forgotten. This book works hard to make sure that the story of Valley County, Idaho will be remembered. The authors and editors have written and researched with a passion that is akin to the tenacity of Valley County's first inhabitants and pioneers.

3 Cassettes

Adult Non-Fiction

**VCT 1049****Murder on the Middle Fork: a Novel**

Author: Don Ian Smith

Read by: Janice Pori

Based on a true story--one of Idaho's strangest murders (1917), Frieda lives by the laws of the wilderness in primitive isolation on the Middle Fork of the Salmon river with her husband until she finds something more important than raw survival. Suspense intensifies to the shocking conclusion then resolves in deliverance.

2 Cassettes

Adult Fiction

**VCT 1050****The Shepherd's Voice**

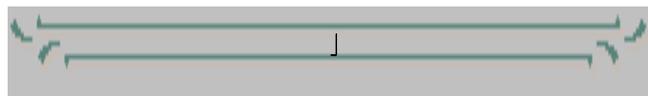
Author: Robin Lee Hatcher

Read by: Norma Ericson

A man with a past, a future, and a choice, Gabe Talmadge languished in prison for ten years. Now free but unable to find work during the Great Depression, he returns to Ransom, Idaho hoping that his uncaring father will give him food and shelter, if not love.

2 Cassettes

Adult Fiction

**VCT 1052****Philo T. Farnsworth:****The Father of Television**

Author: Donald G. Godfrey

Read by: Susan Johnson

Philo T. Farnsworth (1906-1971) has been called "the forgotten father of television." He grew up in Utah and southern Idaho and was described as a genius by those who knew and worked with him. Although at one time every television set utilized at least six of his basic patents, he realized few financial rewards.

2 Cassettes

Adult Non-Fiction

New books **Continued****VCT 1053****Depression Bums**

Author: Ken C. Wise

Read by: Art Latterell

In 1934, while America was immersed in the Great Depression, two young men set out to find their country and themselves. With "little money, no jobs, and nothing better to do," Ken Wise and his friend Ercell Hart turned their daydreaming into a remarkable journey including 2,000 miles by bicycle, 1,200 miles on a cattle train, and another 1,500 miles by canoe.

2 Cassettes          Adult Non-Fiction

**VCT 1054****Horse of the Dawn**

Author: Pamela Lynn Palmer

Read by: Norma Ericson

Full Moon and Snowflower are Nez Perce teens in White Bird's band, swept up in the turmoil of war and the desperate flight from Idaho to Canada in 1877. A fast-paced tale of courage, love, and terror unfolds as the two teens struggle toward adulthood.

Amidst this conflict like a bright ray of hope gleams a spunky little palomino mare, Horse of the Dawn.

1 Cassette          Juvenile Fiction

**VCT 1055****Forlorn Hope:****The Nez Perce Victory at White Bird Canyon**

Author: John D. McDermott

Read by: Jeffrey Sollars

Here is the story of the spark that started a war. On June 17, 1877, 109 soldiers and civilian volunteers rode into a deep canyon in the Idaho Territory. Their mission was to attack a small band of Nez Perce camped on the banks of White Bird Creek. In the battle that followed, the numerically inferior Nez Perce fighters inflicted one of the worst defeats ever suffered by the American military during the Indian Wars.

2 Cassettes          Adult Non-Fiction

**VCT 1056****Steamboats, Shoshoni, Scoundrels and Such:****Seldom Told Tales of the Eastern Frontier**

Author: James F. Varley

Read by: Ken Cooper

Here is a collection of stories chronicling a few of those little-known incidents that shaped the opening of our Western frontier. They are engrossing tales that have long deserved a full recital. Most are set in early Nevada or Idaho, and several describe the dangers of getting goods and people to those freshly colonized regions.

3 Cassettes          Adult Non-Fiction

New books **Continued****VCT 1057****Cougar Dave:****Mountain Man of Idaho, 1855-1936**

Author: Pat Cary Peek

Read by: Bob Stevenson

Cougar Dave Lewis, miner, guide, and bounty hunter, was as wild and free as the mountains, as independent and solitary, as unfathomable and some would say as stubborn as the peak that bears his name. He lived alone in the center of what is now the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness and played a part in establishing the original Idaho Primitive Area.

2 Cassettes

Fictionalized Historical Biography

**VCT 1058****Miracles in the Desert:****Essays Celebrating Twin Falls, Idaho and 100 years on a High Desert Plain, 1904-2004**

Author: Bonnie Dodge

Read by: Maryan Stephens

Bonnie Dodge has written essays that not only provide the colorful history of the area, but also convey the emotions, dreams, and hopes of the people.

Through her eyes and in her words we get a unique view of the past 100 years of Twin Falls history. Her reflections on the past are a wonderful insight into the present and future.

1 Cassette

Adult Non-Fiction

**VCT 1059****The Dalton Story**

Author: Marvin E. Shadduck

Read by: Janice Pori

This is more than a story of the development of a rural agricultural area. It is the story of how people made a life in this ideal place. At one time a railroad, a packing plant, and orchards made this a thriving fruit growing paradise. With a strong sense of community, the residents of Dalton built schools, founded community organizations, and even went on to establish Dalton as a city. The Dalton Story answers many questions about the founding, growth, and people of Dalton Gardens, Idaho.

1 Cassette

Adult Non-Fiction

**VCT 1060****October Moon**

Author: Steven R. Andersen

Read by: Kenneth Cooper

This book is a marvelous depiction of Idaho's legendary mountain men, Indians, ranchers, and horsemen. Each story invokes a sense of adventure, a love of nature, and a genuine portrayal of the history of Idaho's Teton Valley. The author paints a vivid picture of the great western landscape and captures the heart and soul of each character.

2 Cassettes

Adult Non-Fiction

**New books-Continued**

**VCT 1062**

**Elegant Soul: The Life and Music of Gene Harris**

Author: Janie Harris

Read by: Nichole Albertson

Gene Harris (1933-2000) was born to play the piano, performing with a joy and power that made him "one of the world's most exciting blues-based pianists," according to the London Times newspaper.

2 Cassettes          Adult Non-Fiction

Elaine Schwager

Bill & June Lee and family

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Rick & Alexa Gillihan

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**334-2150 or 1-800-458-3271**

## Materials for the Print Impaired: LiLI-ABC

Effective October 1, 2007, a new resource will be available to all TBS users: LiLIEAudioBooks, a demonstration project of downloadable audiobooks. Users with a computer and high speed internet access will be able to download more than 1000 titles onto their computers and/or MP3 players. Users without computers can download books using computers at their local libraries.

This collection is separate from the NLS collection and includes best sellers, book club favorites and timeless classics, CEV Holy Bible Collection, children's and young adult titles including Newberry and Caldecott winners, and the Pimsleur Language Series.

Titles will circulate for 21 days and then automatically become unavailable on the computer/player. No need to insert cassettes, turn them over, or return them through the mail.

This project will be available October 1, 2007-September 30, 2008 so make plans to participate now. Call the TBS at 1.800.458.3271 for more details, or check out the website: <http://libraries.idaho.gov/node/2435>

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